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## Comment:

I would be happy to pay an upfront fee to buy the copyright to the photos of my family members as we have run into problems trying to get a reproduction of a photo that was taken only within the last 5 years. (Photo was damaged in a flood and the portrait studio no longer has proofs of the photo. While my daughter has offered to try to squeeze into the outfit that she wore in the photo, she was 2 in the photo and is now 6...it is not really the same thing).

We have used nationally portrait studios for all of our family portraits. At the most recent session, we were told that proofs were distroyed 6 weeks after the date they were made.

Thank you, Melissa Bowyer